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At a Meeting of the General Assembly of the Territory of Arkansas began and held at the State House in the Town of Little Rock, On Monday the Sixth day of October, in the Year One thousand Eight hundred and Twenty three, The following Members of the Legislative Council, appeared were qualified and took their seats. (To wit.)

5 From the County of Lawrence
William Humphreys
4 From the County of Independence
Townsend Dickinson
3 From the County of Hempstead
Mathew Scoby.
9 From the County of Crawford
John McLean
8 From the County of Phillips
Daniel Mooney.
1 From the County of Arkansas
Andrew Latting
2 From the County of Clark
Sam. C. Roane.

The House proceeded to Elect Sam. C. Roane President Pro tem, and Robert C. Oden, Secretary Pro tem, and then proceeded to Elect by ballot a President, and Secretary Whereupon Sam C Roane, was unanimously Elected President, and Thomas M. Fulton Secretary, On balloting for Doorkeeper Samuel McHenry was

duly Elected, = The President having taken the chair, the House was called to order, and proceeded to business =

The President appointed Mr Dickerson to announce to the House of Representatives that the Legislative Council had organized themselves, and were ready to proceed to business.

A Message from the House of Represen=tatives by Mr Skinner, announcing that the House was organized, and ready to proceed to the Election, in conjunction with the Legislative Council, of an Enrolling & Engrossing clerk, when the council repaired to the Representative's Hall, and on a joint ballot Henry Armstrong, was declared duly Elected.

The council having returned to their Chamber Mr Dickinson was appointed to announce to the House of Repr. that Messrs Mooney and Dickinson, are appointed a committee to wait on His Excellency the Governor, and inform him that both Houses are organized and ready to receive any Message or Communication he may deem proper to make=

A Message from the House of Repr. by Mr Skinner, announcing that Messrs Skinner and Wilson, were appointed a committee on the part of the House to act in conjunction with the committee from the Legislative Council, to wait on the Gov. and inform him, that both Houses are organized and ready to receive any message from

him.

Messers Selby and Mooney are appointed a committee of Elections.

Ordered that the Petition and memorial of David Clark, who contests the Election of the returned Member from Miller County be refered to the committee of Elections.

A Message from the House of Representatives, requesting the attendance of the Legislative Council in the Representatives Hall, for the purpose of Electing a Public Printer, On balloting William. E. Woodruff was declared duly Elected.

The Council having returned to their Chamber On motion it is,

Ordered: that the Legislative Council adopt the Rules and Order's of the last session of the General Assembly as the Rules and Orders of the present session, for the Government of the Council.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr. Rider, informing the Legislative Council, that the House has concurred with the Council in adopting the joint Rules and Orders of both Houses.

Messrs Dickenson Humphreys and Mooney appointed a Committee of Memorials.

A Message from the House of Repts. informing the Council that Messrs Horner, Hicks Bean and Levin are appointed a committee of Memorials.

Resolved by the Legislative Council that the House of Representatives be informed that the Council have ordered to be printed by the Public Printer One quire of the Joint Rules of both Houses,

And Mr Dickinson sent with this message to the House requesting it concurrence therein

Ordered that the Legislative Council do adjourn until tomorrow Morning 10 O'Clk

Legislative Council

Tuesday October 7th 1823.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment, the number of Members sufficient to form a quorum having appeared the President took the Chair and called the House to Order.

Mr Scoby the Chairman of the committee of Elections, to whom was referred the Petition and, Memorial, of David Clark, who contests the Election of Elijah Carter the returned member from Miller County. Reported in favor of Mr Clark, Whereupon On Motion of Mr Dickinson, the Council do concur in the report of the Committee, and think Mr Clark entitled to take his seat,

Mr Clark then appeared, was qualified and took his seat.

Mr Dickinson from the Committee appointed to wait on the Governor and inform him that both Houses of the General

Assembly, had Convened and are organ-
=ized, and ready to receive any Communication
from him, Reports, that they have waited
on his Excellency, and been informed by
him that he will attend, the Genl. Assembly
this day at 11 O'clock, —

Mr. Mathers, from the County of Pulaski
this day appeared, was qualified and took
his seat. in the Council.

Mr Mathers appointed, on the Committee
of Enrolments. —

Messrs Dickinson, Mooney, and Mathers,
appointed a Committee, to Examine the
Secretar and Treasurers Accounts.

A Message from the House of Representatives
by Mr. Hicks, informing the Council, that
Messrs Bisco, and Horner, have been appointed
a Committee of Enrolments.
Also that Messrs Bisco and Levier, have
been appointed a Committee to Examine the
Secretar and Treasurers Accounts.

Messrs Latting, Mooney and Mathers appointed
a Committee, to take into consideration the propri-
-ety of Dividing Arkansas County, with leave
to Report by bill or Otherwise.

A Message from House of Representatives by
Mr. Bisco, informing the Council that His
Excellency the Govr. has arrived, and is now
in waiting for the Attendance of the Council=

The Legislative Council, having repaired to the House of Representatives, the Govr. delivered his Speech in person.

Then the Council adjourned to their Chamber.

On motion of Mr. Dickinson

Ordered, that Messrs. Dickinson, Mathers and McLean, be a committee on the Judiciary

Mr. Mathers, appointed, to act in conjunction with the committee from the House of Repts.

to have printed, a sufficient number of the Governors Message for the use of both Houses of the General Assembly.

Ordered that the Legislative Council do adjourn until to-morrow Morning 10 O'clk

Legislative Council

Wednesday Oct. 8th 1823

The Council met pursuant to adjournment, the President took the Chair and called the House to Order.

The Committee to whom was refered the Petition from the County of Arkansas, praying for a Division of that County report as follows. To wit; "The committee to whom was refered the subject of the Division of the County of Arkansas, ask leave to report a bill for that purpose, and having taken into consideration the local situation of the County, the lower, or southern part of which, containing about one half of the population, and being entirely insulated and cut off from the present seat of

Justice, by an overflowed Country, that, under these Considerations, as an act of Justice, they are entitled to a division, but are not entitled by numbers.= they not having a sufficient population under the Law now in existence

On motion of Mr Mathers, the Consideration of the bill reported by the committee, for a Division of Arkansas County, was postponed until next Wednesday.

Mr Mathers, gave notice that he would on Wednesday next Present a Petition for the Division of the County of Pulaski

On Motion

It is ordered that Messrs Mathers McLean and Watting, be a committe, to take into consideration the Propriety of a Division of Pulaski County, with leave to report by bill or otherwise,.

And then the Council adjourned until 10 o'Clock to Morrow.

Legislative Council

Thursday October 9th 1823

The Council met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion

Ordered that a committee be appointed to enquire what alterations, if any are necessary in the Law Organizing the Offices of Territorial Auditor and Treasurer with leave to report, by bill or otherwise.

Ordered.

That Mr. Mathers, and Mr. Humphreys be the Committee

Mr. Mathers from the committee appointed to Examine the Accounts of the Auditor and Treasurer, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr. Culp informing the Council that Messrs. Nicks, Skinner, and Sevier, are appointed a joint committee to draft an answer to the Governors Speech.—

On motion of Mr. Mooney.

Ordered, That a committee be appointed to enquire what alterations if any, are necessary to be made in the Laws regulating the fiscal concerns of this Territory.

Ordered.

That Messrs. Mooney, Scoby, and McLean, be the committee.

Messrs Mathers, Mooney and Dickinson are appointed a joint committee on the subject of the Governors Message.

Messrs Dickinson, Clark, and Latting appointed a committee to revise the laws relative to the Administration of the Estates of deceased persons in this Territory. with leave to report, by bill or otherwise.

Messrs Scoby - Mooney, and Humphreys, are appointed a committee, to enquire what alterations if any are necessary to be made in the Laws regulating the Militia of this Territory. with leave to report, by bill or otherwise.

A Message from House of Representatives by Mr Polke informing the Council that there is now a bill before the House "Entitled an Act making valid the late acts of the Coroner of Phillipes County, and further defining the duties of Coroners and Sheriffs generally.

Mr Dickinson gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to report, a bill relative to writs of Certiorari in cases arising before Justices of the Peace.

Mr Latting gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to report, a bill in Amendment to the Act, authorizing persons to appeal to their accounts before, Justices of the Peace in cases where the demands does not exceed Ten Dollars,

And then the Council adjourned until tomorrow at 10 O'clock,

Legislative Council

Friday October 10th 1823.

Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr Mathers from the committee appt. to examine the laws Organizing the Offices of Territorial Auditor and Treasurer, reports that they have examined the laws and find it necessary to make some alterations therein and report a bill for that purpose.

On motion

The Bill was read the first time and laid on the table;

Mr Scoby from the committee appointed to examine the Malitia, Laws of the Territory Reported that having taken the present Malitia Laws, into consideration, deem it unnecessary to make, any alterations therein and ask leave to be discharged from any further consideration of the subject.

Ordered that the house do concur in the Report of the committee, and the committee discharged,-

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Rice, informing the Council that there is now before the House a Bill" Entitles an Act, Supplementary to an act, concerning Strays

Mr Dickinson agreeable to notice given on Yesterday, asked leave to report a bill "Entitled an act in amendment to the Act relative to writs of Certiorari," which was read the 1st time and passed to a second reading on tomorrow.

Mr Latting agreeable to notice given on Yesterday asked leave to report a bill "Entitled an Act in amendment to the Act, relative to Canals Debt.

On Motion. The bill was read the first time and rejected

On motion of Mr Mooney.

The Bill "Entitled an Act, Organizing the Offices of Territorial Auditor and Treasurer was taken up and read a second time, by its title, = and

Ordered = to be Engrossed, and committed to a Committee of the whole, and made the Order of the day for tomorrow.

And then the Council adjourned to 10 O'clock to morrow.

Legislative Council

Saturday October 11th 1823

Council met pursuant to adjournment

Mr Scott gave notice that he would on Monday next, ask leave to report a bill for the removal of the seat of Justice of Hempstead County.

Mr Dickinson Presented the Petition of Mrs M Johnson, praying for a Divorce - which is referred to a Select Committee consisting of Messrs Dickinson, Mooney, and Clark,

The House then resolved itself into committee of the whole on the Bill "Entitled an Act Organizing the Offices of Territorial Auditor and Treasurer after having the subject some time under consideration, Mr President resumed the Chair, and Mr Dickinson, reported the Bill with amendments, and the committee rose.

A Message from the House of Repr. by Mr Wilson informing the Council that their is now before the House a bill "Entitled a Act limiting Actions to be brought on real Estate," Also a bill "Entitled an Act to repair the Public Gaol at the seat of Government, and for other purposes. — And then he withdrew.

A Message from the House of Representatives by Mr Horner informing the Council, that the House of Repr. have passed a bill."

"Entitled an act directing the sale of lands in the County of Phillips for taxes= and further defining the duties of Coroners, and Sheriffs generally= and repealing the Law requiring Shffs to give bond for the collection of taxes= and ask the concurrence of the Legislative Council thereon,= And then he withdrew.

And then the Council adjourned until 10 O'clock on Monday. morning.

Legislative Council

Monday Oct. 13th. 1823

Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Agreable to notice given on Saturday last Mr. Selby asked leave to bring in a bill for the removal of the seat of Justice of Hempstead County, —

Which was read the first time and Ordered to a second reading on tomorrow.

On motion, the Engrossed bill from the House of Representatives "Entitled an act making valid the late acts of the Coroner of Phillips, and directing the sale of lands for taxes in the County of Phillips and further defining the duties of Coroners and Shffs generally, and repealing the laws requiring Shffs to give bonds for the collection of Taxes,=

Was taken up and read the first time.

Mr Dickinson from the Committee to whom was referred the Petition of William Hawkins Johnson report as follows. "That the case of said Johnson is one which is not embraced within our Statute and therefore this Court cannot give relief.=

Your committee believe that it is

a cause in which the Petitioner deserves relief and never within their recollection have they known one which calls louder for Legislative aid.

And your committee would further observe that inasmuch, as it is impossible to provide for the adjudication in Courts of Justice, of all cases which may arise: they conceive it necessary for the Legislature to interfere where there is no remedy and provide for a grievance similar to the one now before your Committee. and ask leave to report the following Bill.

The Bill "Entitled an Act, dissolving the bonds of Matrimony between William Hawkins Johnson and Betsey Morgan alias, Betsey Johnson was read the first time, and Ordered to a Second reading On Tomorrow.

On motion The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill "Entitled a act directing the Sale of lands in the County of Phillips for taxes and for other purposes."

Was taken up and read by it title and Ordered. to be engrossed and read a third time tomorrow.

The bill "Entitled an act Organizing the Offices of Auditor and Treasurer, was taken up, and the amendment having been agreed to,

On motion of Mr Mooney It was committed to a select committee, with the amendments.

Ordered that Messrs Mathes, Seely & Clark be the Committee.

On motion. the bill "Entitled an act, an amendment to the act relating to writs of Certiorari" was taken up, and read a second

On motion, for the Bill to pass to a 3d reading as amended, it was rejected.—

On motion—

The rules of the House being dispensed with the Bill "Entitled an Act directing the sale of Land in the County of Phillips for taxes and further defining the duties of Coroner and repealing the Law" requiring the Sheriffs to give bond for the collection of taxes— Was taken up and read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr Humphreys

Ordered that Messrs Humphreys, Clark, & Cotton be a committee to enquire into the expediency of providing by Law, for the appointment of County Treasurers, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.—

A Message from House of Representatives by Mr Coles— Mr President I am instructed to inform you that the House of Representatives have passed the following Memorials "To open a road from Memphis to the seat of Govt in this Territory— For the settlement of Cowles purchase, &c" "For the extention of the Right of Pre-emption, in this Territory— For the purpose of obtaining an abstract of the Military bounty Lands— For the purpose of having a Surveyor Genrals Office in this Territory— and ask your concurrence therein.—

The memorials were then taken up and second read, and passed.—

And then the Council adjourned until 10 O'clock, to morrow.—

Legislative Council

Tuesday October 14th 1823

Council met pursuant to adjournment

Mr Mathers from the joint committee of Enrollment reported that they have Examined a bill "Entitled an act making valid the late acts of the Coroner of Phillips County, and directing the sale of land for taxes in the County of Phillips, &c. and fined the same duly Enrolled

Mr Mathers from the select committee to whom was refered the Engrossed bill "Entitled an act Organizing the Offices of Auditor and Treasurer reported the same with amendments

On Motion = Ordered that the bill be Engrossed and Ordered to a third reading, on its final passage — tomorrow

On Motion of Mr Scoby, the bill "Entitled an Act to fix the seat of Justice in the County of Hempstead — was taken up and read a second time by its title;

On motion = It is ordered to be committed to a Committee of the whole and made the Order of the day for tomorrow.

On motion of Mr Dickinson, the bill "Entitled an Act Dissolving the bonds of matrimony between William Hawkins Johnson and Betsey Morgan alias Betsey Johnson =

was taken up, and read a second time & Ordered = to be committed to a committee of the whole and made the Order of the day for Tomorrow.

Mr Latting gave notice, that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill dissolving the bonds of matrimony between John Gibson, and Milly. D. Gibson —

And then the Council adjourned to 10 O'clock, tomorrow.

Legislative Council

Wednesday Oct 15th 1823

Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr Mathers, presented sundry Petitions from the County of Pulaski, praying for a division of said County —

On motion of Mr Mathers

Ordered, that the said Petitions be referred to the Committee appointed to take into consideration the expediency of providing by law, for a Division of the said County of Pulaski. —

On motion of Mr Scoby.

The House resolved into committee of the whole Mr Clark in the Chair, on the bill "Entitled an act to fix the seat of Justice in the County of Hempstead, after some time spent in the consideration thereof, the committee rose and reported the Bill with amendments, the House having concurred in the report of the Committee

On motion, the same is

Ordered to be Engrossed and Ordered to a third reading on tomorrow —

Mr Mathers from the Committee to whom was referred the Petitions from the County of Pulaski, praying for a division of said County, Reported a bill for that effect, which was read the 1st time and Ordered

to a second reading on tomorrow.

On motion by Mr Dickinson

The House resolved itself into committee of the whole Mr Mathers in the Chair, on the Bill, which was made the order of the day, "Entitled an Act dissolving the bonds of matrimony between William Hawkins Johnson, and Betsey Morgan (alias) Betsey Johnson. after having the same some time under consideration, the committee rose and reported the Bill without amendment.

Ordered that the bill be Engrossed, and Ordered to a third reading on tomorrow.

Mr Dickinson from the committee on the Judiciary reports "that having taken the subject relative to the Organization of the Superior Courts, of this Territory into consideration, find that the interest of the Territory requires that the Judges of the Superior Court should hold special Courts, for the Trial of capitol cases, in the County in which the offence may be committed, and ask leave to report the following Bill"

The bill "Entitled an Act establishing special sessions of the Superior Court, was then read the 1st time, and Ordered to a second reading on tomorrow.

A Message from House of Repr by Mr Horner informing the Council that the House of Repr. have passed a Memorial praying an alteration in the Western boundary line of this Territory and ask the concurrence of the Legislative Council therein. And that the Acting Governor has approved, and signed, a bill "Entitled an Act directing the sale of Lands in Phillips County, for taxes, and for other purposes.

On motion of Mr Mathers

The Bill "Entitled an act Establishing the Offices of Auditor, and Treasurer, was read a third time on its final passage.

The yeas, and nays being called for were as follows.= Yeas= Clark,= Dickinson,= Humphreys, Latting,= Mathers= McLean, Selby & President Ray=Money.

On motion by Mr Latting

The Bill "Entitled an act for a division of Arkansas County" was read a second time and Ordered to be Engrossed and made the Order of the day for tomorrow.

A Message from the House of Repts by Mr Levins. informing the Council, that their is now before the House, a bill "Entitled an act for the Auditing of County claims,=

Mr Latting agreeable to previous notice introduced a Bill "Entitled an act to dissolve the bonds of Matrimony between John Gibson and Milly D Gibson," which was read the first time, and Ordered to a second reading, on tomorrow.

And the Council adjourned to 10 O'clock Tomorrow

Legislative Council

Thursday October 16th 1823.

Council met pursuant to adjournment

Mr Dickinson from the committee appointed to escamine the Auditor and Treasurer's Accounts Reported as follows to wit: "The committee from the Legislative Council, to whom was referd the Escamination of the books and accounts of the Territorial Auditor, and of the Territorial Treasurer report, that they have escamined the same and that the result is as follows, to wit:" On the first day of October 1821 there was a balance against the Territory of $7.500 after the sums then due, should have been paid, and that since that time up to the sixth day of October 1823. Warrants were drawn on the Treasurer for the sum of $17.652.89 ——

For all the warrants, drawn on the Treasurer. from the first of October 1821 to the 6th of October 1823. there are vouchers filed in the Auditors Office, which vouchers with the exception of the following are deemed to be correct. Two of the vouchers exceptted to, are those drawn in favor of Judges Searcy & Eskridge amounting to $153.42 each, making when added together the sum of $306.84. The circumstances of these claims are as follows, Searcy, and Eskridge were appointed Judges, of the Circuit Court. with a Salary of One thousand Dollars, to each. They were commissioned by the Govr on the 3d of November 1821. & the Law creating Circuit Courts, under which, they were appointed did not take effect until the 1st of

of January 1822. The Judges then drew for one month, and Twenty six days salary which in the Opinion of this committee they are not authorized to draw. This sum of $306.84 is to be deducted from the sum of $17.652.89 with which the Territory stands charged, and the said deduction placed to the Account of the Auditor. One other voucher on which there has been a warrant issued, which the committee have refused to allow, and have placed to the Account of the Auditor, is One drawn on the Auditor by Governor James Miller, in favor of W. E. Woodruff for $6.00 it being for printing Military Commissions. Another voucher on which a warrant has been issued, and which has been rejected by the committee, was drawn in favor of Strother, the late prosecuting Attorney it was a claim for his salary from the 1st of January 1821 to the 15th of February 1822. at the rate of $100 per Annum, it having been for one month, and fifteen days, after the Law under which he was appointed had expired, which said Account amounting to $12.34 is also to be placed to the account of the Auditor. Their is also another voucher on file, on which a warrant has been issued in favor of Ole T Lewis for four Dollars which is not allowed by this committee. It having been a claim of his for the Fees of Clerk in Recording Deeds to the Territory, which by Law he was not entitled to. By adding together the Amount of all the aforesaid Vouchers, on which warrants have been drawn

by the Auditor) which the committee have rejected, they will make the sum of $329.$^{18}/_{100}$ with which amount the Auditor is chargable By deducting the sum of three Hundred and Twenty nine Dollars, and Eighteen cents, from $17.652.$^{89}/_{100}$ with which the Territory stands charged, there will then be a balance of $17.323.$^{71}/_{100}$. Scrip has issued for all the warrants drawn by the Auditor, with the exception of One in favor of M. Cunningham for $2.66½ and also one in favor of Frederic Storbe, for the sum of $4.25 cents. when these are plaid the books of the Auditor and Treasurer will stand precisely balanced.

There is yet to be deducted from the Debt due by the Territory the sum of $5.252.82½ which is the amount yet due by the several Sheriffs of this Territory. and also $4.820.$^{56}/_{100}$ which is the amount of redeemed scrip, on Land, Add these two sums together, and they will make $10.072.$^{88½}/_{100}$ and deduct, that amount from $17.323.$^{71}/_{100}$ and there will be a balance which the Territory yet owes of $7.250.82½

The Contingent escpences of the Territory for the years 1821 and 1822 amount to $3035=58½. And the appropriation made for contingent escpences, for these years, are but $2000. which will leave a balance, for which there was no appropriation made of $1.035=58½. All the papers, and Vouchers examined, as above mentioned, are in the possession of the House of Representatives.

On motion = the House concurred in the report of the Committee ——

The Memorial from the House of Repts "Praying for an alteration in our Western boundary line" was taken up read and passed. —

On Motion by Mr Latting

The Bill "Entitled an act to divide the County of Arkansas. was read a third time and passed.

On motion by Mr Scobey

The bill "Entitled an Act to fix the seats of Justice in Hempstead County, was read a third time and passed.=

On Motion by Mr Dickinson, the Bill "Entitled an act, to dissolve the bonds of Matrimony between William Hawkins Johnson and Betsey Morgan (alias) Betsey Johnson, was read a third time and passed. ——

A Message from House of Reps by Mr Bisco informing the Council that the House of Reps have passed a Memorial, praying for an appropriation, to purchase the Quapaw Claim,= which was read, and passed ——

On Motion by Mr Dickinson

The bill "Entitled an act establishing Special Sessions of the Superior Court, was read a second time, & ordered to be committed to a Committee of the whole, and made the order of the day for tomorrow.

Mr Latting offered the following resolution
"Resolved by the General Assembly of the Territory of Arkansas that no Bill shall be introduced, in either House of the present General Assembly, after the 25th day of October inst. the Council having agreed to the resolution;
It was sent to the House of Repts for their concurrence, and was returned with an amen. to strike out the 25th of October and insert in lieu thereof, the 1st of November next.
On Motion the Council disagreed to the amendment proposed by the House of Repts and the Resolution was rejected.

A Message from the House of Repts by Mr Levier informing the Council, that the House of Repts have passed a Memorial praying for Military Posts on White and Red Rivers,- the Memorial was then read and passed.

On Motion by Mr Latting
The bill "Entitled an act to divide the County of Pulaski, is Ordered to lie on the table until tomorrow

On Motion by Mr. Latting
The bill "Entitled an act to dissolve the bonds of Matrimony between John Gibson and Nelley D. Gibson, was referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Latting and Dickinson

A Message from House of Representatives by Mr Skinner informing the Council that Messrs Lewis and Biscoe have been appointed a joint committee to burn the Script and Vouchers in the Auditor and Treasurers Office

Mr Dickinson, offered the following resolution "Resolved that it be the duty of the Speaker of the House of Repts to write the word Satisfied on the face of each Voucher (and sign his name on the same,) on which the Auditor has issued a Warrant; when it shall be the duty of the Speaker to return the same to the Auditor who shall preserve the same on file in his Office. — Which Resolution was sent to the House of Repts for concurrence.

And the Council adjourned to 10 Oclk to morrow Morning.

Legislative Council
Friday October 17th 1823

Council met pursuant to adjournment
On motion of Mr Mooney
Ordered, that the House of Repts be informed that the Council have not agreed to that part of the Resolution of the House, which Orders the committee by them appointed to burn the Script Vouchers in the Auditors Office, but have agreed with them, in the appointment of a committee to destroy the Script which has been Examined by the joint committee of both Houses & found satisfied in the Treasurers Office.
Ordered that Mssrs Mooney & Seeley be the said Committee

A Message from House of Repts by Mr. Skinner, informing the Council that the House of Repts have passed a Bill "Entitled an act for the limitation of actions to be brought for the inheritance or possession of real property"

On motion

The bill was read 1st time and Ordered to a second reading on tomorrow

Mr Dickinson from the select committee to whom was referred the Petition of John Gibson praying for a Divorce, reported favourably to the Petitioner

On motion by Mr Mathers

The bill "Entitled an act for the division of the County of Pulaski," was read a second time and Ordered to be Engrossed, and read a third time tomorrow on its final passage

On motion by Mr Mooney

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole Mr Latting in the Chair, on the bill "Entitled an act Establishing Special Sessions of the Superior Court" after having the same some time under consideration, the Committee rose and reported the Bill without amendment. Ordered that the Bill be Engrossed, and read a third time, tomorrow on its final passage

On motion by Mr Latting

The bill "Entitled an act to dissolve the bonds of Matrimony between John Gibson and Nelley D Gibson, was read a second time, and on motion for the bill to pass to a third reading it was rejected

A Message from House of Repr. by Mr. Wilson informing the Council that the House have concurred in the Resolution from this House requiring the Speaker to write the word Satisfied on each voucher and sign his name thereto and return the same to the Auditor for safe Keeping.

A Message from House of Repr. by Mr Rieco informing the Council that the following Bills have passed the House of Repr. and are sent to the Council for concurrence viz. "An Act supplementary to an act concerning Strays" also "An Act supplementary to an act to suppress the practice of dueling"

On Motion the Bills were taken up and read the 1st time, and Ordered to a second reading on to morrow.

A Message from the House of Repr. by Mr Rieco informing the Council that the following Memorials have passed the House of Repr. asking the right of preemption to the Counties of Hempstead - Crawford and Miller, of One quarter section each, where to locate the seats of Justice, in said Counties

The Memorials was then read and passed

And the Council adjourned to 10 O'clock to morrow.

Legislative Council

Saturday Oct. 18th 1823

Council met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion by Mr Mathes

The bill "Entitled an act to divide the County of Pulaski, was read a third time and passed.

On motion by Mr Dickinson

The bill "Entitled an act to establish Special sessions of the Superior Court, was read a third time and passed.

The bill from House of Repts. "Entitled an act supplementary to an act to suppress the practice of dueling, was read a second time, and Ordered to a third reading on monday next, on its final passage.

The bill from House of Repts. Entitled an act supplementary to an act concerning Strays. was read a second time, and committed to a committee of the whole and made the Order of the day for monday next.

Mr. Dickinson, gave notice, that he would on Monday next, ask leave to introduce a bill legalizing the Acts of the commissioners of Independence County. also that he would at the same time ask leave, to introduce A bill relative to marriage contracts. also that he would at the same time ask leave to introduce a bill relative to costs, in Criminal cases.

The committee of Enrollments Report that they have Examined Enrolled memorials on the following subjects To wit ——
Asking an appropriation to open a road from Memphis to Little Rock, = asking an abstract of Military bounty lands, = asking the appointment of a Surveyor General in this Territory, = asking permission to settle Lovely's purchase = asking an Extention of the right of pre-emption = asking the establishment of certain Military Posts = asking the right of pre-emption whereon to locate the seats of Justice in the Counties of Hempstead, Crawford, and Miller = asking the Extinguishment of the Quapaw claim, = and a remonstrance against our western boundary line, and find them duly Enrolled and the committee further Report that they have presented the same to the Governor and received his signature to them all, =

The Bill from the House of Representatives "Entitled an Act for the Limitation of actions to be brought for the inheritance or possession of real property, = was read the first time and Ordered to a second reading on monday next =

And then the House adjourned until Monday next at 10 O'Clock. ——

Legislative Council

Monday October 20th 1823

Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr Dickinson, agreeable to previous notice introduced a Bill "Entitled an Act in Amendment to the Acts relative to Costs in Criminal cases" which was read the 1st time and Ordered to a second reading on tomorrow.

The bill from House of Repts Entitled an Act supplementary to an Act to suppress the practice of dueling, was read a third time and passed.

On Motion by Mr Dickinson

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole Mr. Scoby in the Chair, on the bill "Entitled an Act supplementary to an Act concerning Strays." after having the same some time under consideration, the committe rose and reported the bill without amendment. On motion it is Ordered to a third reading tomorrow on its final passage.

On Motion, The bill "Entitled an act for the limitation of actions to be brought for the inheritance or possession, of real property, was read a second time and Ordered to be committed, to a Committee of the whole and made the Order of the day for tomorrow.

A Message from House of Repts by Mr Levier informing the Council, that the following

bills have passed the House of Representatives to wit. "An Act defining the punishment of Rape" and "A Bill regulating the mode of proceedings in Actions of Ejectment"

On Motion the bills were read the first time and Ordered to a second reading on tomorrow

And then the Council adjourned till 10 O'clock tomorrow morning

Legislative Council

Tuesday October 21st 1823

Council met pursuant to adjournment

On Motion of Mr Dickinson

The bill "Entitled an act in Amendment to the act relative to costs in criminal cases" was read as second time, and Ordered to be Engrossed, and made the order of the day for tomorrow

The bill from House of Repr. "Entitled an act defining the punishment of Rape. was read a second time, and Ordered to a third reading on tomorrow

On motion of Mr Mooney, the rules of the House having been dispensed with, the bill was read a third time and passed

The bill from House of Representatives "Entitled an act supplementary to an act concerning Ships" was read a third time and passed.

The bill "Entitled an Act repealing the Law regulating actions of Ejectment" was read a second time, and committed to a committee of the whole

And

and made the Order of the day for to morrow

On motion of Mr Dickinson

The Council resolved itself into committee of the whole Mr Clark in the Chair on the bill "Entitled an act for the limitation of actions to be brought for the inheritance or possession of real property" after having the same some time under consideration the committee rose, and reported the Bill, with some amendments

On motion, it is Ordered to be Engrossed and made the order of the day for tomorrow

Mr Clark from the County of Miller asked, and obtained, leave of absence during the remainder of the session, in consequence of the bad state of his health.

And the Council adjourned Until tomorrow 10 O'clock!

Legislative Council

Wednesday October 22d 1823

Council met pursuant to adjournment.

A Message from House of Repts by Mr Bacon informing the Council that the following bills have passed the House of Repts to wit: An act dissolving the bonds of matrimony between, William S Johnson, and Betsey Morgan alias Betsey Johnson, also an act to fix the seat of Justice in the County of Hempstead also an "Act for the Division of Arkansas County" with some amendments, also an act prescribing the mode of paying over revenue collected by the several clerks in this Territory

and ask the concurrence of the Legislative Council therein

On Motion the bill from House of Repr "Entitled An act for the division of the County of Arkansas, was read, and the amendments agreed to

A Message from House of Repr by Mr Horner informing the Council that the House of Repr have agreed to the Amendment made by the Council to the bill "Entitled an Act defining the punish=ment of Rape, with an amendment, and ask the concurrence of the Council therein

On motion of Mr Dickinson

The Council disagreed to the amendment proposed by the House of Repr and withdrew the Amendment made first by them, and inserted a new amendment, which was sent to the House of Repr for concurrence

On motion the bill "Entitled an Act prescribing the mode of paying over revenue collected by the several Clerks in this Territory was read the 1st time and Ordered to a 2d reading on Tomorrow

On motion of Mr Dickinson.

The Council resolved itself into committee of the whole Mr Latting in the Chair, on the bill "Entitled an act repealing the Saving=ulating the Action of Ejectment after having the same under consideration, the committee rose and reported the bill with some amendments

On Motion, Ordered to be Engrossed, and read a third time to morrow and its final passage

A Message from House of Repr. by Mr. Levier informing the Council that the House of Repr. have agreed to the Resolution sent from the Council, saying that no bill shall be introduced in either House after the 25th Oct. inst. and that they recede from the amendment made by them.—

The Bill from House of Repr. "Entitled an act for the limitation of actions to be brought for the inheritance, or possession of real property. was read a third time and passed.

Mr. Latting gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill to amend the act relative to forgery, and counterfeiting.—

Mr. McLean gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill for the removal of the seat of Justice in the County of Crawford.—

On Motion of Mr Latting.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill "Entitled An act prescribing the mode of paying over revenue, collected by the several Clerks in this Territory. was read a second, & third time, and passed.

Mr. Dickinson gave notice, that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a bill to appoint commissioners to locate the seat of Justice, in the County of Checo.

On motion of Mr Dickinson

The bill "Entitled an act amendatory to the acts relative to costs in Criminal cases, was read a third time and passed

And then the Council adjourned

Legislative Council

Thursday October 23d 1823

Council met pursuant to adjournment

Mr Dickinson agreable to previous notice introduced a bill "Entitled an act to fix the seat of Justice, in the County of Chicot, which was read the 1st time, and Ordered to a second reading an tomorrow

On motion of Mr Dickinson

The rules of the Council were dispensed with, and the bill read a second time, & Ordered to be Engrossed and read a third time tomorrow

Mr M'Lean agreable to previous notice introduced a bill "Entitled an act to remove the Seat of Justice in the County of Crawford, which was read the 1st time and Ordered to 2d reading.

On motion of Mr M'Lean the rules of the Council was dispensed with, the bill was read a second time, and Ordered to be Engrossed and read a third time tomorrow

Mr Dickinson from the committee on the Judiciary, Reported a bill "Entitled an Act in amendment to the act prescribing the mode of proceeding against absent, and absconding debtors. was read first time and Ordered to second reading to morrow.

On Motion of Mr Latting the rules of the Council being dispensed with the bill was read a second time and Ordered to be Engrossed and read a third time to morrow on its final passage

A Message from the House of Repts. by Mr Levin informing the Council, that the House of Repts. have passed the following bills to wit. "An Act regulating the Offices of Auditor and Treasurer, for other purposes also An act authorizing Samuel M.Henry to build a toll bridge across White Oak bayou, and "An Act appointing commissioners to locate the seat of Justice for the County of Miller

The bill "Entitled an act authorizing Saml. M.Henry, to build a toll bridge across White Oak bayou, was read 1st time and Ordered to 2d reading

On Motion of Mr. Mathers the rules of the Council, were dispensed with and the bill read a second time and made the Order of the day for tomorrow

The bill "Entitled an act to regulate the Offices of Auditor and Treasurer, was read 1st time and Ordered to second reading tomorrow.

The bill "Entitled an act appointing commissioners to locate the seat of Justice of Miller County, was read the first time and Ordered to a second reading.

A Message from House of Repts by Mr Levier informing the Council, that the House of Repts have concurred, in the first, and second amendment, with some amendments and have disagreed to the third amendment proposed by the Council to the bill "Entitled An act for the limitation of actions to be brought for the inheritance, or possession, of real property the Council then withdrew the two first amendments, and concurred in the One proposed by the House of Repts"

A Message from House of Repts by Mr Levier informing the Council, that an Error has occurred, by Omiting an Amendment made by the House of Repts to an amendment from the Council, on the bill "Entitled An act for the limitations of actions &

On Motion of Mr Mooney

The Council disagreed to the amendment proposed by the House of Repts and the bill was returned to them

A Message from House of Reps by Mr Bicon, informing the Council that the following bills have passed the House of Reps. to wit. An act altering the mode of auditing County Accounts - also an act for the relief of Geo. M. Scott Auditor of this Territory - also "an Act further to provide for opening roads, also "An act for the relief of Edmund Morgan, and ask the concurrence of the Council

The bills were severally read 1st time and Ordered to a second reading to morrow.

On Motion of Mr Dickinson

The rules of the Council were dispensed with and the bill "Entitled an act to regulate the Offices of Auditor and Treasurer was read a second time by title, and Ordered to be committed to a committee of the whole and made the Order of the day for tomorrow.

On Motion of Mr Mooney

The rules of the Council were dispensed with, and the "bill "Entitled an Act for the relief of Edmund Morgan, was read a second time and Ordered to a third reading on its final passage to morrow.

On Motion of Mr Mooney

The rules of the Council were dispensed with and the bill "Entitled An Act to locate the seat of Justice of Miller County, was read a second time, and Ordered to a third reading to morrow, on its final passage,

On Motion of Mr Mooney

The rules of the Council are dispensed with and the bill "Entitled an Act further to provide for opening roads, was read a second time and Ordered to a third reading tomorrow as to final passage

On Motion of Mr Mooney

The rules of the Council are dispensed with and the bill "Entitled an act altering the mode of Auditing County Accounts, was read a second time and committed to a committee of the whole and made the Order of the day for tomorrow

On Motion of Mr Mooney

The rules of the Council are dispensed with and the bill "Entitled an act for the relief of George W. Scott Auditor was read a second time and committed to a committee of the whole and made the Order of the day for tomorrow

And the Council Adjourned Until 10 Oclock. tomorrow

Legislative Council
Friday Oct. 24th 1823

Council met pursuant to adjournment.

The bill "Entitled an act to fix the seat of Justice of the County of Olecot was read a third time and passed ——

The bill "Entitled an act to locate the seat of Justice of Crawford County was read a third time and passed ——

The bill "Entitled an act in amendment to the acts prescribing the mode of proceeding against absent and absconding debtors was read a third time and passed ——

The bill "Entitled an act authorising Sam'l M'Henry to build a toll bridge over White Oak bayou was read a third time and passed ——

The bill "Entitled an act for the relief of Edmund Morgan was read a third time and passed ——

The bill "Entitled an act to locate the seat of Justice in Miller County was read a third time and passed ——

The bill "Entitled an act further to provide for opening roads was read a third time and passed ——

A Message from the House of Repr. by Mr Ricord, informing the Council that the following bills have passed the House of Repr. to wit. "An act for the relief of William C. Mordniff." also "an act amendatory to the act relative to costs in criminal cases, with an amendment to which the concurrence of the Council is asked —

On Motion the bills were severally taken up and read the first time and Ordered to a second —

On motion of Mr Mooney

the Council concurred in the amendment proposed by the House of Repr. to the bill "Entitled an Act Amendatory to the acts relative to costs in Criminal cases —

On motion of Mr Dickinson,

the Council resolved itself into comm. of the whole Mr Mathers in the Chair, on the bill "Entitled An Act further to provide for Auditing County Accounts, after some time spent in the consideration thereof, the committee rose and reported the bill with amendments —

On motion, the Report of the committee was agreed to, and Ordered to be Engrossed and made the Order of the day for tomorrow —

Mr Mathers from the committee of Enrollment Reported that they have Examined and found duly Enrolled the following bills to wit

1 An act supplementary to an act to suppress the practice of dueling —

2 An act supplementary to an act concerning Strays —

3 An act regulating the mode of proceedings in actions of Ejectment —

4 An Act prescribing the mode of paying over the revenue collected by the Clerk of the Superior Court, and by the clerks of the Circuit Courts of this Territory —

5 An Act to fix the seat of Justice in Hempstead County —

6 An act defining the punishment for Rape

7 An act dissolving the bonds of Matrimony between William Hawkins Johnson, and Betsey Morgan (alias) Betsey Johnson, —

8 An act for the division of Arkansas County and the same are herewith handed to the President for his signature —

On motion of Mr Latting the Council resolved itself into committee of the whole Mr Dickinson in the Chair, on the bill "Entitled an Act for the relief of George W. Scott Auditor, after having the same some time under consideration, the committee rose and reported the bill with amendments, the Council concurred in the amendments

On motion of Mr Mooney

The rules of the Council were

dispensed with and the bill read a third time and passed ——

On motion of Mr McLean

The Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Mr Seby in the Chair on the bill "Entitled an act in amendment to the acts regulating the Offices of Territorial Auditor and Territorial Treasurer after having the same some time under consideration the committee rose, and reported the bill with some amendments.

The council concurred in the Report, and On motion of Mr Latting the rules of Council were dispensed with, and the bill read a third time and passed ——

And the Council adjourned until to morrow Morning 10 A Clock ——

Legislative Council

Saturday October 25th 1823

Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr Dickinson agreable to previous notice introduced a bill "Entitled an act to levy a tax for County purposes in Independence County which was read the 1st time and Ordered to a second reading ——

On motion of Mr Dickinson the rules of the council were dispensed with, and the bill read a second time and Ordered to be Engrossed, and read a third time as finally passed on Monday

Mr Latting agreable to previous notice introduced a bill "Entitled An act supplementary to the act respecting Forgery and counterfeiting" which was read the first time and Ordered to a second reading

On Motion of Mr Latting

The rules of the Council were dispensed with and the bill read a second time & Ordered to be Engrossed, and read a third time.

A Message from House of Repts by Mr Horner, with the following resolution Resolved that it is considered by this House that an alteration in the Judiciary system is necessary, and that a committee be appointed to enquire into the expediency of reducing the Terms of the Superior Court, and of the Circuit Courts of this Territory to two terms a year, and to establish County Courts with leave to report, by bill or otherwise

On Motion, the Council disagreed to the resolution passed by the House of Repts

The bill "Entitled an act for the relief of H.C. Woodruff" was read a second time and Committed to a committee of the whole and made the Order of the day for Monday next

The Engrossed bill "Entitled an act for the relief of D. C McKinney, was read a second time and committed to a committee of the whole and made the Order of the day for Monday next

A Message from House of Repr. by Mr Levier informing the Council that the following bills sent from the Council have passed the House of Representatives to wit.

An Act in amendment to the acts prescribing the mode of proceeding against absent and absconding Debtors, also an act to locate the seat of Justice in the County of Crawford with an amendment and ask the concurrence of the Council therein, ——

On motion of Mr. M Lean, the Council agreed to the amendment proposed by the House of Repr. to the bill "Entitled an Act to locate the seat of Justice in the County of Crawford, ——

A Message from House of Repr. by Mr. Levier informing the Council that the House of Repr. have disagreed to the amendments proposed by the Council to the bill "Entitled An act regulating the Offices of Auditor and Treasurer and for other purposes, and that they have agreed to the first amendment, and disagreed to the second, proposed by the Council to the bill "Entitled an act for the relief of George M. Scott, Auditor &c ——

On motion of Mr. Humphreys

The bill "Entitled an act regulating the Offices of Auditor, and Treasurer & for other purposes, was postponed until the 1st day of January next. ——

On motion of Mr Mooney,

The Council adhered to the second amendment, made by them, to the bill "Entitled

An Act for the relief of George. M. Scott Auditor, &c and the same was again sent to the House of Reps for concurrence.

A Message from House of Repsᵗᵛᵉ by Mr. Sevier, informing the Council that the House, still insist on their rejection of the 2ᵈ amendment proposed by the Council to the bill "Entitled an act for the relief of George M Scott, and ask a conference —

Ordered that Messrs. Mooney and Mathers be a committee for that purpose on the part of the Council, —

A Message from the House of Repsᵗᵛᵉ by Mr. Pascoe informing the Council, that Messrs. Horner, and Wilcox, have been apptᵈ a committee to act as a committee of conference to act in conjunction with the committee from the Council on the bill "Entitled an act for the relief of George M. Scott, Auditor.

Mr Humphreys, asked leave to introduce a bill "Entitled An act to suppress vice, and Immorality.

On Motion of Mr Dickinson the rules of the Council were dispensed with, and the bill read the 1ˢᵗ time, and Ordered to a second reading.

On Motion of Mr Humphreys

The rules of the Council were dispensed with and the bill read a second time & Ordered to be Engrossed and committed to a committee of the whole and made the Order of the day for Monday next.

Legislative Council

Monday Oct. 27th 1828

Council met pursuant to adjournm.t

Mr Latting offered the following resolution

"Resolved by the Legislative Council that Justice cannot be extended to every section of this Territory unless there are three Judicial Circuits established and three terms of the Circuit Court held in each and every County in this Territory" — On the adoption of the resolution the Yeas and nays being called for, were as follows,

Yeas. Messrs. Dickinson, Latting, Mooney, and President,

Nays Messrs. Stumph[illegible], M'Lean, Mathes and Selby —

The bill "Entitled an act in Amendment to the act relative to costs in Criminal cases" The bill "Entitled An act in Amendment to the acts relative to Forgery and counterfeiting, was read a third time and passed,

The bill "Entitled An act to levy a tax in Independence County, was read a third time and passed

The Committee of Enrollments reported that they have examined and found duly Enrolled, the following bills to wit:

1 An act authorising Saml M'Henry to build a toll bridge over White Oak bayou,

2 An act further providing for opening roads

3 An act for the limitation of Actions to be brought for the inheritance or possession of real property —

4 An Act for the relief of Edmund Hogan

5 An act for the relief of Geo. W. Scott.

6 An act amendatory to the acts prescribing the mode of proceeding against absent and absconding debtors —

7 An act to locate the seat of Justice in Crawford County —

On motion of Mr Mooney

The Council rescinded the resolution entered into by both Houses, which says that no bill shall be introduced after the 25th day of October inst. and sent to House of Reps. for concurrence. —

A Message from the House of Reps. by Mr. Hicks informing the Council that the House of Reps. have concurred with Council in rescinding the Resolution, saying that no bills shall be introduced in either House after the 25th October inst.

On motion of Mr Dickinson

The Council resolved itself into a committee of the whole Mr Humphreys, in the Chair on the bill "Entitled An Act for the relief of William C. Woodruff, after having the same under consideration, the committee rose and reported the bill without amendments —

The Council concurred in the Report of the committee. —

On motion of Mr Dickinson

The rules of the Council were dispensed with, and the bill read a third time and passed

A message from the House of Repts by Mr Storrer, informing the Council that the House of Repts have adopted the following resolution to wit: Resolved that it is expedient for the two Houses to determine on some system of Judiciary to be established; to effect which resolutions may be introduced in either House and sent to the other for concurrence - and ask the concurrence of the Council to this Resolution

On motion of Mr. Mooney

The Council concurred in the resolution from the House of Repts

On motion of Mr Latting

The Council resolved into committee of the whole Mr Dickinson, in the Chair on the bill "Entitled an act for the relief of D. C. McKinney, after having the same under consideration, the committee rose and reported the bill without amendment, the Council concurred in the Report of the committee

On motion of Mr Latting

The rules of the Council were dispensed with, and the bill read a third time and passed

On motion of Mr Dickinson

The Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Mr Mathers in the Chair, on the bill "Entitled An Act to suppress vice, and immorality, after some time spent in the consideration thereof, the Committee rose and Reported the bill with amendments, ——

On motion for it to pass to a third reading, the bill was rejected ——

A Message from the House of Repr. by Mr Bacon, informing the Council, that the following resolution has passed the House of Repr. to wit: Resolved that it is expedient to reduce the number of Terms, of the Superior Court, and of the Circuit Courts, to two a year, and to establish some intermediate Court, to do County, busines, which Court shall consist of a person, or persons, appointed by the Governor, and ask the concurrence of the Council ——

On motion to concur in the Resolution the yeas and nays, being called for were as follows. ——

Yeas. Humphreys.= Mathers & Scoby says Dickinson = Satting = Mooney = McLean & President. — and the resolution was rejected ——

A Message from House of Repr. by Mr Nicks, informing the Council, that the House of Repr. have passed the following bills to wit "An Act regulating evidence in Actions of

Ejectment — An act for the relief of persons convicted of criminal offences less than Capital" An act to regulate the collection of fasces on military bounties — An act providing more effectually for the safe keeping of persons guilty or suspected to be guilty of Capital offences — and ask the concurrence of the Council therein ——

The bills were severally read the first time and Ordered to a second reading ——

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On motion of Mr Mooney—

The rules of the Council were dispensed with, and the bill "Entitled an act for the relief of persons convicted of criminal offences less than capital" was read a second time, and Ordered to a third reading tomorrow on its final passage ——

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On motion of Mr Mooney

The rules of the Council were dispensed with, and the bill "Entitled an act to regulate the collection of fasces on military bounty lands, was read a second time, and Ordered to a third reading tomorrow on its final passage ——

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A Message from the House of Reps by Mr Horner, informing the Council that the following resolution has been adopted by the House of Reps to wit Resolved that it is expedient to divide this Territory into three Judicial Circuits with a Judge for each, and to hold three terms of the Court in each County — and that the Superior Court

shall be reduced to two Terms a year, and ask the concurrence of the Council therein.—

On motion the Council concurred in the Resolution, the Yeas and Nays being called for are as follows,—

Yeas Messrs Dickinson - Satting - Mooney & President - Nays Messrs Humphreys - McLean & Mathers,—

Mr Dickinson, asked leave to introduce a bill "Entitled An act to regulate Circuit Courts" the Yeas and Nays, being called for are as follows — Yeas Messrs Dickinson - Satting Mooney, & President —
Nays Messrs Humphreys - McLean & Mathers.—
The bill was then read the first time and Ordered to a second reading —

On motion of Mr Dickinson

The rules of the Council were dispensed with, the yeas and nays being called for are as follows - Yeas Messrs Dickinson - Satting - Mooney & President - Nays Messrs Humphreys McLean, & Mathers — the bill was then read a second time and Ordered to be Engrossed and read a third time tomorrow on its final passage, —

And the Council adjourned until tomorrow morning 10 "O'clock —

Legislative Council

Tuesday October 28th 1828

Council met pursuant to adjournment

On motion of Mr Mooney

Leave of absence was granted to Mr Colby from Hempstead County during the remainder of the session in consequence of the ill state of his health.—

The bill "Entitled An act regulating evidence in Actions of Ejectment, was read a second time and committed to a committee of the whole and made the Order of this day

The bill "Entitled An act providing more effectually for the safe keeping of persons guilty or suspected to be guilty of Capital offences, was read a second time —

On motion of Mr Dickinson the rules of the Council were dispensed with, and the bills read a third time and passed —

A Message from the State Governor by Mr Searcy informing the Council that he has approved and signed the following bills to wit.

1 An act to locate the seat of Justice in the County of Crawford —

2 An act in amendment to the acts prescribing the mode of proceeding against absent and absconding debtors —

3 An act amendatory to the act relative to Costs in Criminal cases —

The bill "Entitled an act for the relief of persons convicted of Criminal offences less than Capital was read a third time and passed=

The Committee of Enrolments reported that they have examined and found duly Enrolled the following bills to wit —

1 An Act changing the mode of Auditing County accounts & for other purposes —

2 An Act to locate the seat of Justice in Miller County —

3 An act for the relief of M. C. Woodruff.

4 An act for the relief of D. C. M Kinney —

A Message from the House of Repr. by Mr Rison, informing the Council that the following bill has passed the House of Repr. to wit. An act dissolving the bonds of matrimony between Nancy Stroud, alias Nancy Baker, and Brazil Baker,

The bill was read the first time and On motion of Mr Dickinson

The rules of the Council were dispensed with, and the bill read a 2d and 3d time and passed —

On motion of Mr Dickinson

The bill "Entitled an act establishing Circuit Courts was read a third time on its final passage, the yeas and nays being called for were as follows -

Yeas Messrs Dickinson, Latting Mooney & Preidt

Nays Messrs Humphreys, M Lean & Mathers,

On Motion of Mr Dickinson

The rules of the Council were dispensed with, and the bill "Entitled An Act supplementary to the laws regulating the Offices of Auditor and Treasurer, was taken up and read a second and third times and passed with amendments ~~~

~~~ A Message from the House of Repr by Mr Bisco, informing the Council, that the House of Repr have agreed to the first and third amendments, and have appointed Messrs Stoner and Sicks a committee of conference on their part, to take under consideration the second amendment, proposed by the Council to the bill "Entitled An Act supplementary to the act regulating the Offices of Auditor, and Treasurer, ~~~

Messrs Mooney and Mathers, were appt a committee of conference on the part of the Council on the said bill ~~~

On Motion of Mr Mooney

The Council resolved itself into a committee of the whole Mr Latting in the Chair on the bill "Entitled An Act regulating Evidence in Actions of Ejectment, after having the same under consideration, the committee rose and reports the bill without amendments ~~

On Motion of Mr Latting

The rules of the Council were dispensed with, and the bill read a third time and passed ~~~
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A Message from House of Repr by Mr Riccoo informing the Council that the following bills had passed the House of Repr. to wit:

1 An Act to locate the seat of Justice in the County of Clark —

2 An Act supplementary to the Militia Law

3 An Act appointing commissioners for the County of Arkansas —

The bills were severally read the 1st time and Ordered to a second reading ——

A Message from the House of Repr by Mr Riscoe informing the Council that the following bills have passed the House of Repr. to wit: An Act establishing the office of Prosecuting Attornies —

The bill was read the first time, and Ordered to a second reading ——

A Message from the House of Repr by Mr Riscoe informing the Council that the House of Repr have passed the following bills to wit. An Act to locate the seat of Justice in Chicot County, with some amendments —

On Motion of Mr Latting

The Council disagreed to the amendments and proposed one in lieu thereof, which was sent to the House of Repr for concurrence —

A Message from the House of Repr. by Mr Riscoe, informing the Council that the following bill has passed the House of Reps to wit: An Act defining and altering certain County lines.

The Bill was read the first time & ordered to a second reading ——

A Message from the House of Reps by Mr Tiscoe informing the Council, that the following bills sent from the Council, have passed the House of Reps & to wit An act respecting forgery and counterfeiting, with some amendments

On Motion the Council concurred in the Amendments proposed by the House of Reps

Mr Dickinson having taken the Chair as President Pro tem

On motion of Mr Roane

The rules of the Council were dispensed with and the bill "Entitled an Act to locate the seat of Justice in the County of Clark was read a second & third time and passed

On motion of Mr Roane

The rules of the Council were dispensed with, and the bill "Entitled an Act supplementary to the Habitea Law. was read a second time, and on Motion for it to pass to a third reading the bill was Rejected, the Yeas and nays, being called for were as follows Yeas Messrs Roane & Prior Nays Messrs Latting Mooney McLean Humphreys & Mathews

On motion of Mr Latting

The rules of the Council were dispensed with and the bill "Entitled an Act appointing commissioners for the County of Arkansas was read a second and third time & passed

On Motion of Mr Mooney

The rules of the Council were dispensed with and the bill "Entitled an act establishing the Office of Prosecuting Attorneys, was read a second time and, Ordered to a third reading to morrow, on its final passage

On Motion of Mr Mooney

The rules of the Council were dispensed with and the bill "Entitled an Act defining and altering certain County lines, was read a second time, and Ordered to a third reading to morrow on its final passage.

The committee of Conference appointed on the bill "Entitled an Act establishing and regulating the Offices of Auditor and Treasurer, Reported that they have agreed to the amendments made by the House of Repr. and have withdrawn the second amendment made by the Council to the said bill.

The Council concurred in the Report of the committee

On Motion of Mr Mooney

The rules of the Council were dispensed with and he obtained leave to introduce a bill "Entitled an Act respecting Justices of the Peace, which was read the first time & Ordered to a second reading

On Motion of Mr Roane

The rules of the Council were again dispensed with and the bill read a 2d & 3d time and passed

And the Council Adjourned until 10 O'Clock to morrow

Legislative Council

Wednesday Oct. 29th 1845

Council met pursuant to adjournment

The bill "Entitled an act defining and altering certain County lines, was read a third time and passed

The bill "Entitled an act establishing the Office of prosecuting Attornies was read a third time and passed, with an amendment, and sent to the House of Reps for concurrence

The Committee of Enrolments Reported that the following bills have been presented to the Gov. Governor for his approbation — to wit:—
An act to locate the seat of Justice in the County of Miller
An act for the relief of Wm. C. Woodruff
An act for the relief of David. C. McKinney
An act changing the mode of Auditing County accounts, & for other purposes

A Message from the House of Reps by Mr. Horner informing the Council that the following bills have passed the House of Reps to wit.
An act to suspend the practice of selling spirituous liquors to Soldiers of the United States Army
An act supplementary to the Laws now in force respecting Justices of the peace,
and that they have concurred in the amendment proposed by the Council to the bill "Entitled an act to locate the seat of Justice in Chicot County, with an amendment

On motion of Mr Latting

The Council concurred in the amendment made by the House of Reps to the bill "Entitled an act to locate the seat of Justice in Chicot County.

The bill "Entitled an act to suppress the practice of selling spirituous liquors to soldiers of the Army of the United States." was read the first time & Ordered to a second

On motion of Mr Mooney the rules of the Council were dispensed with and the bill read a 2 & third time was passed.

A Message from the House of Reps by Mr Dixon informing the Council, that the following bills have passed the House of Reps to wit. An act supplementary to the laws now in force in this Territory regulating the fiscal concerns, = An act authorizing the Governor to make the apportionment of the next Genl Assembly the bills were severally read the first time & ordered to a second reading.

On motion of Mr Latting

The rules of the Council were dispensed with and the bill "Entitled An act to regulate the fiscal concerns of this Territory" read a second time, amended, and read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr Mooney

The rules of the Council were dispensed with and the bill "Entitled an act authorizing the Governor to make the apportionment" was read a second and third time, and passed

A Message from the House of Repts by Mr Rixcor informing the Council, that the following bills sent from the Council has passed the House of Repts to wit. An Act establishing Circuit Courts, and regulating the Terms of the Superior Court, with some amendments, to which the concurrence of the Council is asked —

On Motion The bills was read and the amendments agreed to by the Legislative Council —

The Committee of Enrolments reported that they have examined and found duly Enrolled the following bills "to wit"

An Act providing more effectually for the safe keeping of Prisoners, guilty or supposed to be guilty of Capital offences —

An act to regulate the collection of taxes on Military bounty lands —

An Act regulating evidence in Actions of Ejectment

An Act appointing commissioners for the County of Arkansas —

An Act dissolving the bonds of Matrimony between Nancy Baker alias Nancy Stroud and Brazil Baker —

An Act for the relief of persons convicted of Criminal offences less than capital —

A Message from House of Repts by Mr Elvins informing the Council that the following bill sent from the Council has passed the House of Repts to wit. An Act to levy a tax in Independence County & for other purposes

with some amendments, and ask a con=
=ference.

On Motion of Mr Dickinson

The Council disagreed to the amendments proposed by the House of Repr.

Ordered that Messrs Mathes and Latting be a committee of Conference on the part of the Legislative Council, to take the said amend=
=ments under consideration

A Message from the House of Repr. by Mr Sevier informing the Council that the House of Representatives, have passed the following (Preamble and Resolution) to wit.

Whereas it is represented, that James Sould the Territorial Treasurer, is dangerously ill and ~~at this~~ consequently unable to sign, and issue any Script or certificates, which at this time is necessary, to be issued - Therefor Resolved by the General Assembly of the Territory of Arkansas, that they approve of the deputation of Thomas W. Newton who is by the said Sould deputized to sign, and issue any amount of script, which may be necessary to pay off the members and officers of the present General Assembly and to do and execute, all and every power given the said Newton, by the said Treasurer, holding, however said Sould responsible for all the acts of his said Deputy, and ask the concurrence of the Legislative Council therein.

On Motion the Council concurred in the Resolution sent from House of Repr.

A Message from the House of Repd by Mr Levier informing the Council that the House of Repe have disagreed to the amd proposed by the Council to the bill "Entitled an act regulating the fiscal concerns of this Territory"

On Motion of Mr Dickinson

The Council concurrs in the disagreement of the House of Repe to the 2d amd made by the Council, and adhered to the 1st and 2d made by them to the bill "Entitled an act to regulate the fiscal concerns of this Territory"

Ordered that Messrs Dickinson and Latting be a committee of conference on the part of the Legislative Council, to take under consideration the first amendment to said bill.

A Message from the House of Repe by Mr Levier informing the Council, that the House of Repe have passed the following Resolution to wit "Resolved that M. E. Woodruff shall be the Public Printer for the Territory until the next General Assembly, and that he shall receive for his services the prices contained in his proposals which proposals shall be spread on the Journal of the House of Representatives"

On Motion the Council concurred in the Resolution as reported from the House of Repe

A Message from the House of Repe by Mr Horner, informing the Council, that the following bill, has passed the House of Repe to wit: "An act allowing compensation to

the members and Officers of the present General Assembly — and that Messrs Sicks and Bean, have been appointed a committee of conference on the part of the House of Reps to take under consideration the amendments to the bill "Entitled an act to levy a tase in Independence County & for other purposes; also that Messrs Lovier and Pisco have been appointed a committee of conference on the part of the House of Reps to take under consideration the amendments to the bill "Entitled An act to regulate the fiscal concerns of this Territory —

The bill "Entitled an act allowing compensation to the members and officers of the present General Assembly — was read the first time and Ordered to a second — On motion of Mr Dickinson

The rules of the Council were dispensed with and the bill read a second time and committed to a committee of the whole and made the Order of this day —

On motion of Mr Dickinson

The Council resolved itself into a Committee of the whole Mr Latting in the Chair on the bill "Entitled an act allowing compensation to the Members & Officers of the present General Assembly after having the same under consideration the committee rose and reported the Bill with Amendments —

On motion the bill was Ordered to 3d reading

Mr Dickinson from the Committee on the Governors Message, reported as follows "The General Assembly of the Territory of Arkansas; have received Your Excellencys Message and heartily concur in the sentiments therein expressed, and with pleasure reiterate those sentiments as the vivid feeling of a unanimous people —

On Motion, the Council concurred in the Report of the committee —

And the Council then adjourned

Legislative Council
Thursday Oct 30th 1823

Council met pursuant to adjournment

The Committee of Enrolments reported that they have examined and found duly Enrolled the following bills to wit:

1 An act establishing circuit Courts and regulating the terms of the Superior Court

2 An act establishing the office of prosecuting Attornies —

3 An act supplementary to the laws regulating the offices of Auditor and Treasurer —

4 An act to locate the seat of Justice in Clark County —

5 An act defining and altering certain County lines —

6 An act to locate the seat of Justice in Chicot County —

7 An act to prevent the passing of counterfeit bank bills —

8 An act to prevent the selling of liquors to soldiers of the United States Army

9 An act authorising the Governor to make the apportionment of the next Genl Assembly and have presented the same to the Govr for his signature

On motion of Mr Latting

The committee of conference was discharged from the further consideration of the bill "Entitled an act to levy a tase in the County of Independence

A Message from House of Repts informing the Council that the following bill has passed the House to wit "An act to repair the Publick jail in Pulaski County the bill was read the 1st time and Ordered to a second reading

On motion the rules of the Council were dispensed with and the bill read a second time, and third time and passed

the Yeas and nays being called for were as follows Yeas Messrs Dickinson Latting Mum Mr Lean, Mathes & President

Nay Mess. Humphreys

The bill "Entitled An Act allowing compensation to the members and officers of the present Genl Assembly was read a third time and passed with the amendments, and sent to the House of Repts for concurrence.

A Message from the House of Repts by Mr Devin informing the Council that the House of Repts have disagreed to the amendments proposed by the Council to the bill "Entitled An Act allowing compensation to the members and Officers of the present Genl Assembly

On motion, the Council adhered to the amendments made by them to the said bill and it was sent again to the House of Reps for concurrence —

A Message was received from the House of Reps by Mr Lewis informing the Council that the House have agreed to the first and insist on their disagreement to the second amendment made by the Council to the bill "Entitled An Act allowing compensation to the members, and officers, of the present General Assembly. —

On motion the Council withdrew the second amendment made by them to the said bill —

A Message from the House of Reps by Mr Lewis informing the Council that the following bill has passed the House to wit. An Act making appropriations for the years 1823-24 & 25. the bill was read the 1st time and Ordered to a second reading —

On motion the rules of the council was dispensed with and the bill read a second, and third time and passed —

A Message from House of Reps by Mr Lewis informing the Council that Messrs Somers and Nicks, have been appointed a committee to wait on His Excellency the Governor and inform him that the General Assembly will be ready to adjourn On tomorrow Sine die unless he has some further communication to make to them —

Messrs Mooney & Latting were appointed a committee on the part of the Legislative Council to act in conjunction with the committee appointed by the House of Representatives —

On Motion, The following resolution was Ordered to be spread upon the Journal of the Legislative Council, to wit:
Resolved that the Legislative Council view with the highest approbation, the strict attention and able manner with which Mr. Thomas M. Newton has discharged the duties of Secretary to the Council, and that the President be requested to present the thanks of the Members, as a mark of their respect and esteem.

And the Council adjourned until 10 O'clock to morrow morning.

Legislative Council
Friday Oct 31st 1823

Council met pursuant to adjournment
Mr Mooney from the committee appointed to wait on the Governor and inform him that the Genl Assembly were ready to adjourn Reported that they had waited on His Excy and been informed by him that he would attend both Houses this day at 11 O'clock.

The committee of Enrolments reported that they have examined and found duly Enrolled Bills with the following titles to wit.

1 An act to levy a tax in Independence County for County purposes.

2 An act supplementary to the several laws now in force regulating the fiscal concerns of this Territory.

3 An Act to repair the public Jail at Little Rock, and for other purposes.

4 An Act allowing compensation to the members and Officers, of the present General Assembly

5 An act making appropriations for 1823-24 & 25.

And a Resolution authorising the Printer to publish the Acts of the present General Assembly ——

A Message from the House of Reps by Mr Skinner inviting the Legislative Council to meet in the Reps Hall to receive the Governors last communication ——

The Council having returned to their chamber Mr Mathers offered the following Resolution Resolved, that the thanks of the Legislative Council, be presented to the President for the able manner in which he has discharged the duties of the Chair which was Ordered to be recorded upon the Journal. ——

A Message from the House of Reps by Mr Skinner, informing the Council that the House of Representatives have finished all the business before them and are about to adjourn sine die

On Motion of Mr Mathers
Ordered that the Legislative Council adjourn sine die.

Thos H. Fenton
Secretary

John L. Pearce
President of the
Legislative Council